and steel) materials arc required to be produced in the country so as to reduce the import of such items?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) broadly.

Finished Steel is divided into two categories Non-Flat products and Flat products. The year-wise projected demand of Finished Steel during the Eighth Five Year Plan are as follows:

(In lakh tonnes)

Year	Non-Flat Products	Flat Products	Total
1992-93	98.30	79.30	177.60
1993-94	106.00	87.70	193.70
1994-95	114.35	96.15	210.50
1995-96	123.45	105.55	229.00
1996-97	133.50	116.50	250.00

(b) After delicensing and deregulation of pricing and distribution of iron and steel, entrepreneurs are free to decide their product-mix keeping in view the demand and availablity position. Import of all items of steel is also freely allowed. The items currently imported include mainly HR coils/Sheets, CR coils/Sheets, Plates, Electrical Sheet. Tin Mill Black Plates and Tin Plates.

In the prevailing market situation, some categories of steel like Plates, Bars and Boards and Structural will be exported by India, while some other categories of steel especially of specialised type will continue to be imported.

Cocount Development Project

*276. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State Government of Andhra Pradesh has submitted a Coconut Development Project with World Bank assistance to 1CAR on 25th November, 1991; and

(b) if so, what is the present stage of this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Popularisation of 'Thirukural' a Poetic Literature

*273. SHRI S. K. RAMACHANDRAN: Will the MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether government have any proposal under its consideration to popularise 'Thirukural' a unique poetic literature in Tamil, disseminating highly valuable 'cachings for all times?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): No, Sir.

However, the Sahitya Akademi, an